TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 1500 - HB 1939

January 30, 2018

SUMMARY OF BILL: Allows a county commissioner to carry a handgun in the same building in which judicial proceedings are in progress if the county commissioner has a hand gun carry permit, the county commissioner is in the discharge of official duties as a county commissioner, and a county commission meeting is being held in the same building.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 39-17-1306(c)(1) allows law enforcement officers, members of the United States armed forces and reserves, and members of the Tennessee National Guard to carry a weapon inside any building in which judicial proceedings are being held if they are in the actual discharge of their duties.
- Additionally, Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1306(c)(3) allows judges, in the actual discharge of their official duties, to carry a handgun inside any building in which judicial proceedings are being held if they have a handgun carry permit, keep the handgun concealed at all times, and are vested with judicial powers under Tenn. Code Ann. § 16-1-101.
- This legislation authorizes county commissioners to carry a handgun in these circumstances as well, if they have a handgun carry permit, they are in the discharge of official duties, and a county commission meeting is being held in the same building in which the judicial proceeding are being held.
- The Department of Correction, Administrative Office of the Courts, the District Attorneys General Conference, and the District Public Defenders Conference confirm that the legislation will not significantly impact their operations.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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